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Letters to the Editor

Langley Urged for Patent Office

Why not the Patent Office 40 miles from all present sites? Use of the Langley site would cost the government nothing for additional land, take no land off the tax rolls of Fairfax County, and is by far the most convenient location mentioned.

Location of the Patent Office on the Langley site has the overwhelming approval of employes and a survey shows that for the present personnel driving time for the Langley site would be seven minutes less on the average than it is to the present building. There are currently 17 buses a day to Langley.

Opening of the Cabin John Bridge and extension of the George Washington Parkway on the Virginia side of the river will materially improve traffic, equally as significant, however, will be the extension of the George Washington Parkway on the Maryland side of the [illegible] Bridge. This construction will mean that people [illegible] Washington can get to the Maryland side of the Parkway, cross Cabin John Bridge to the Patent Office without [illegible] the existing bridges or [illegible] the congestion of [illegible]

[illegible] located [illegible] Parkway [illegible]

The new Patent Office building [illegible] designed for computer and electronic equipment and will require approximately [illegible] square feet and parking space for 2500 autos. The Government owned land at Langley is adequate [illegible] way.

The County Board of Supervisors for Fairfax, the Fairfax County Planning Staff, Fairfax Chamber of Commerce, Northern Virginia Builders Association, and McLean Business and Professional Association have indicated approval of the location of the Patent Office at Langley.

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